

AGENDA
Open Space Committee
Zoom
January 11th 2022
5:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Aaron Parsons
Nicci Emery
Roberta Delaney
Megan Kaspar
Scott Lambiase

Vote to approve minutes:

Yes votes: Aaron, Nicci, Roberta, Megan

No votes: None

Committee discussed a need to find a new member, as one of our previous members has stepped down from the committee.

- Committee and Scott Lambiase discussed conservation for parcels in town and importance of joint meetings with other committees/boards.
 - Scott informed us that he has filed for an Old Colony Planning Grant for updating the Open Space Plan
 - Dan Brielmann (community member) informed the committee that Melissa Cryan would be a good resource to help update the plan, and possibly Cathy Creighton as well. We will invite them to the next meeting.
 - Committee agreed to a joint meeting (week of Feb. 15th) with Conservation Scott to reach out to them.
- Discussion on ways to use grant money: trails, Abington town forest, etc.
 - community member: Dan Brielmann discussed the green corridor and how Abington can participate in it.
 - Put four properties on agenda for joint meeting with the Conservation Committee - conversation with Conservation committee regarding possibly voting these parcels into conservation:

0 Chestnut, 0 Rockland, Dianne Circle parcel, 0 Oakland

- Aaron suggested reaching out to power companies regarding trails
- discussed timelines for working with Conservation and obtaining grants
- Paul Bunker from the Conservation Committee was able to join the meeting for a few minutes and reiterated the importance of working together.

Further actions:

- Joint meeting with Conservation to be set up by Scott Lambaise (awaiting date/time)
- discuss applying for grants - how to accomplish and what we would do with the money.
- Review and amend Open space plan pending Selectmen approval